

Application Number 10/028,548
Amendment dated November 1, 2004
Responsive to Office Action mailed August 5, 2004

REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 5, 2004. Applicant has amended claims 16, 19 and 38 and canceled claim 21. Claims 1-3, 5-20, 22-33 and 35-39 are now pending.

In the Office Action, the Examiner allowed claims 1-3, 5-15, 23-33 and 35-37. The Examiner rejected claims 16-17 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yen et al. (US 5,992,962) in view of Klassen et al. (US 5,677,714); and rejected claims 16-17, 19-20, 22, 38-39 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yen et al. (US 5,992,962) in view of Kanematsu et al. (US 6,183,055 B1). The Examiner objected to claims 18 and 21 as being dependent on a rejected claim, but indicated that such claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

The Examiner indicated that Applicant's previous arguments with regard to independent claims 16 and 38 were not persuasive because claims 16 and 38 do not recite that the first and second triangle-like shapes are different from one another. In this Amendment, Applicant has now clarified claims 16 and 38 to recite that the first and second triangle-like shapes are different from one another. Accordingly, claims 16 and 38, and the respective dependent claims should now be in condition for allowance.

With regard to independent claim 19, Applicant has amended this claim to include the limitations formerly recited in claim 21, which the Examiner indicated as being allowable. Claim 21 and its respective dependent claims should now be in condition for allowance.

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All claims in this application are now in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration by the Examiner and prompt allowance of all pending claims. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 50-1778. The Examiner is invited to telephone the below-signed attorney to discuss this application.

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